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32256 CUSTOMER NUMBER: orm PTO 1390 REV (01-2003) TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 358275.20012 **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)** 567080 CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371 International Filing Date Priority Date Claimed International Application Number PCT/JP2004/11268 5 August 2004 **5 August 2003** Title of Invention **DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MEASURING HARD GRANULAR OBJECTS** This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)). The submission must include 3. П items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 4. X 5. × A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. 🗵 b. ⊠ has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). c. 🗆 An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. П is attached hereto has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). b. 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)) × are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. have been communicated by the International Bureau. b. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)). An executed oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT 10. Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§3.28 and 3.31 is 12. D included. 13. O A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. §1.76. 14. 15. □ A substitute specification. 16. □ A power of attorney and/or address letter. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C, 1.821-1.825 17. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18 🗆 19 🗆 A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Other items or information:

- (1) PCT/RO/101 PCT Request;
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- (4) PCT First Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application (to Designated Offices which Do Not Apply the 30 Month Time Limit under Article 22(1));
- (5) PCT Second and Supplementary Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application (to Designated Offices which Apply the 30 Month Time Limit under Article 22(1));
- (6) A copy of the published PCT application under International Publication No. WO2005/012101A1 on February 10, 2005 including International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/210); and
- (7) Forms PCT/IB/306 for the applicant and inventors.

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